

THE TRAGEDY IN TALBOTTON

Dr. Ryder Kills Miss Sallie Owen with a Shotgun.

WOUNDS HON. GUS PERSONS
And Then Attempts Suicide by Slashing His Throat.

LOVE AND JEALOUSY CAUSED THE CRIME
Miss Owen Was in Her Parlor When, Without a Word of Warning, She Was Shot Down.

Talbotton, Ga., April 6.—(Special)—Never in the criminal history of Georgia has a chapter more sensational, more dramatic or more to be deplored been written than one that was traced here last night.

Love, jealousy, murder and an attempt to suicide were the features of the horrible story the pleasant, balmy Easter Sunday evening gave up.

Prominent socially and professionally were the parties to the terrible tragedy and deep is the gloom which now overhangs this section of the state.

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The assassination took place in the parlor of the home of Mr. J. H. McCoy, one of the leading citizens of Talbotton, and at the instant the assassin pulled the trigger the young lady was laughing happily at some pleasant remark her visitor, Hon. A. P. Persons, had made.

No Attempt To Hide His Identity.

Under the full radiant light of a brilliant hallway lamp the assassin stood as he sent the lead of shot which not only caused instant death, but took away a part of that beautiful face which had been the admiration of all since Miss Owen left Wesleyan college one of the honor graduates.

Nor did the man whose heart was full of murder move from under the light until he discharged the bitter barrel presumably at his victim's companion, Mr. Persons.

The assassination occurred about 9 o'clock and an hour later the best medical talent and the best nurses about Talbotton were trying to nurse Dr. Ryder back to life as he had tried to take from himself by morphine and knife.

The Doctor Calls on Miss Owen.

Yesterday morning Dr. Ryder, of Talbotton, with a friend paid a visit to the beautiful home of Misses Lizzie May and Sallie Emma Owen, who reside in a mile and near the village of Pleasant Hill.

In the afternoon a young gentleman from Talbotton, accompanied by a lady who also called at the residence of the widow.

The day passed most pleasantly and in the afternoon the Talbotton party was joined on their return to Talbotton by the Misses Owen, the latter stopping on their arrival in Talbotton with the family of Mr. McCoy.

Several members of the money household, accompanied by Miss Lizzie May Owen, attended night services at the Methodist Episcopal church, Miss Sallie Emma Owen remaining at the McCoy residence with Mrs. McCoy and a young daughter. Miss Owen did not go out on account of recent illness.

During the evening and before the party had returned from church, Dr. Ryder, who had attended church, called and had a few minutes' conversation with them in the hall, the hall and parlor both being brilliantly lighted.

Ryder Did Not Enter the Parlor.

Miss Sallie Owen and Mr. Persons at this time were seated little to the right of the door entering the parlor, and during the conversation, however, Dr. Ryder did not enter into conversation with Mr. Persons or Miss Owen, but left the hall party after a brief stay.

From the McCoy residence he went to the Weston house, where he remained in the office and went to his room on the second floor. Remaining a few minutes there, he came down and went to his dental office across town. Staying there but a short time he went to his room at the Weston house, where he stayed was also short. From there he went to the McCoy residence, about three hundred yards distant, where he entered the parlor and

shot and killed Miss Owen, two loads from a breech-loading shotgun being fired.

He Was Cool and Deliberate.

One load of discharge tore away the lower left side of the young lady's face, causing instant death.

The second discharge lodging in a window casement, a few stray shots striking Mr. Persons, inflicting a slight wound.

Police officials ascribe jealousy as the cause of the act.

No one was in the hall when the shooting took place, and the entire family and immediate neighbors were fearfully shocked and horrified at the sudden fate that had overtaken Miss Owen.

Through His Gun in the Yard.

After the shooting Dr. Ryder ran rapidly to the street and put out over the picket fence the McCollum grounds. Directly he was seen to enter his dental office, and, some one following, discovered him in the act of drinking something from a phial, which afterwards proved to be poison.

Dr. Ryder was flushed violently into the street and ran rapidly in the direction of the old Pearson fish pond. A search was quickly organized, and after a little time he was found in an insensible condition, lying near some scrubby ledge, propped up, and from one or two stabs inflicted by some sharp instrument about the region of the neck.

May Die.

He was thoroughly under the influence of the powerful drug and had lost all power of locomotion.

Dr. Ryder now lies in a most critical condition at the Weston house. Drs. Hardwell and F. J. C. Williams are in attendance, and are doing all that medical skill can suggest to revive him.

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FITZGERALD'S FLAGS

Were Flying Yesterday in Honor of the Governor.

GREAT DAY IN THE NEW CITY

Federal Veterans Cheer the Governor and His Party.

PLEASING INCIDENTS DURING THE DAY

Miss Cecile Ramsey's Ambition To Give the Governor a Drive—The Speeches Delivered, Etc.

Fitzgerald, Ga., April 6.—(Special)—This first little city of the pines, all dressed in new flags made the first pause in its rapid growth when it turned out our mass to pay its first tribute to the governor.

The governor came to welcome and was welcomed. The new band, headed by the new citizens, met him and carried him to the new music stand in the center of the new town, and there a notable scene occurred.

Enthusiastic speeches of the future greatness of Fitzgerald were launched forth. Then the governor and party were driven over the city and given a glimpse of a most wonderful spectacle of development.

It was a day of pride for Fitzgerald and it was a day of revelation for the governor and his party.

READY FOR THE GAME.

ATLANTA'S BASEBALL PLAYERS WILL BEGIN TO COME TODAY.

Every Team in the Association Ready for Work—The Players Are Reporting.

One week from Thursday the Southern Association season will open and for four months and a half six southern cities will have baseball.

Every club in the association is now organized and in nearly every one of the cities the players have arrived and are at work.

Manager Knowles looks for the first detachment of his team this morning. The party were General and Mr. Atkinson, Mr. G. M. Gandy, Miss Gordon, Mrs. John S. Candler, ex-Senator Patrick Walsh, T. D. Tinsley, Douglas Glassner, W. J. McTire, H. H. Tift, G. A. McDonald, G. W. F. Price and others.

Colonel Tift's road leads two miles of completion, and the party was met by a large procession of hacks.

A breezy western girl, driving a span of sorrels, dashed up just as the governor and the party were driving away, and with a cry of disappointment, called after him:

"I drove all the way over to get the governor," said she, "but when I got there he had to hold up 'Fitzgerald,' and she would not be comforted. She captured ex-Senator Walsh and drove him into town, smiling.

She was Miss Cecile Ramsey, whose sister, also in this party, led the race on the famous dash into Oklahoma a few years ago.

THE CIGARETTE TRUST.

Vice Chancellor Reed Begins Taking Testimony in the Case.

Newark, N. J., April 6.—Vice Chancellor Reed began taking testimony in the case of New Jersey Company vs. the American Tobacco Company this morning.

John R. Miller, complainant, testifying that as a local jobber he had been punished by the Cigarette Trust. He purchased of the tobacco companies, who gathered around the smoking stand and cheered wildly. The rugged veterans, nearly all of them in uniform, and many of them carrying battered weapons, marched past and saluted.

The women's Relief corps, composed of the wives of veterans, marched behind their husbands and saluted the chief executive as they passed. Then followed the Sons of Veterans, an organization of sturdy men. His brother, who was receiving a check for \$1,000 and 20 per cent discount, was present.

On Friday, April 10, Mr. Miller received a visit from Mr. McCoy, who presented him with a check for \$1,000.

The witness signed, "Later he bought of the National Cigarette Company, when the trust pushed him for payment and cut off his supplies, he was compelled to buy from another company."

He was a new constituency for the governor. General Manager Welch, the colony manager, introduced the governor to the vast throng.

Governor Atkinson made a ringing speech in defense of the tobacco companies.

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MATTERS IN MACON

The Political and General News of the Central City.

CASES TRIED IN THE COURTS

Movement To Build a New Synagogue. Standard Oil Offices To Move to Atlanta—Other News.

Macon, Ga., April 6.—(Special)—Judge C. Smith, of Pulaski, was in Macon last night en route to Irwin county, to hold superior court. For some time it was thought that Judge Smith would be a candidate for congress from the third district, to succeed Judge Crisp, but he declined to enter the race and announced that he would stand for re-election to the judgeship. The opinion prevails, however, in the third district that he would be a candidate for nomination at the convention between Lewis, Warren and Fort. Judge Smith may be taken up as the man to unseat the deadlock. He is very popular throughout the district.

Colonel Charles W. Houston, candidate for congress from the third district, last night in Macon and left this morning for Perry, to be present during court week. Houston is in Colonel Warren's district, as he was born there and the county has four votes in the nominating convention. Colonel Warren does not seek to antagonize either Judge Fort or Colonel Lewis, but is conducting a conservative campaign.

H. C. Felton, ex-representative from Macon county, is in the city. Colonel Felton takes a keen interest in public affairs and closely watches the trend of events. Colonel Felton, who is one of the most successful planters in the state, is also a large grower of peaches. He says that while the recent cold snap has killed some of the fruit there is an abundance of good fruit left, and he expects an excellent crop.

James H. Sutton, of Monroe county, having retired from the race for state senator from the Macon district, on account of affliction in his family which would prevent him from taking an active part in politics, has now turned his attention to the agricultural department of Georgia. He contributes much to the efficiency and popularity of the agricultural section of the state.

State Chemist Payne.

George E. Payne, the popular and efficient chemist, is in Macon on a business trip. Dr. Payne is regarded as an expert and a valuable assistant to the agricultural department of Georgia. He contributes much to the efficiency and popularity of the agricultural section of the state.

Legal Matters.

The appearance docket was called this morning in the city court. Will Murray was found guilty and sentenced to the chancery for four months, other minors were sentenced. The city court is the only one of the large courts of Macon now in session. Quite a number of Macon lawyers left the city for the vacation court in Houston and Wilkinson counties.

Going to Atlanta.

The office of the Standard Oil Company at Macon having been ordered discontinued, Messrs. Cogsdill Clarke and W. H. Shepard, who were in the Macon office, will locate in Atlanta. Another office Mr. Clarke will be in Clark and Mr. Shepard will be bookkeeper. Only a warehouse will remain at Macon. Messrs. Clarke and Shepard are estimable young gentlemen and their departure from Macon is much regretted.

A Modern Ananias.

The Academy of Music was packed tonight with a brilliant and fashionable audience to witness the splendid amateur performance "A Modern Ananias." The entertainment was given for the benefit of the public library and a great success in every respect. There were two large theater parties, and after the performances, the students of the school gathered at the German at the Commercial Club and the others attended a german at the Progress Club.

Death of Mr. Whittaker.

Mr. W. W. Whittaker, a well-known carpenter and respected citizen, died last night at his home in this city. A fourth son of the family will be born tomorrow morning at Haddington's station for interment. The deceased was a member of the Carpenters and Joiners' Union. A wife and three sons survived him. Mr. Whittaker was experienced and successful at the carpenter's trade.

Odd Fellowship.

The meeting of the Odd Fellowship in America will fall on April 20th, and several lodges in Macon will appropriately observe the occasion. As the 20th this year comes on Sunday the regular meetings will be suspended on the 21st. Odd Fellowship is very popular in Macon. All the lodges have a large and growing membership.

To Institute a Lodge.

Grand Lodge of the Knights of Pythias, of the Knights of Pythias of Georgia, will go to Roselle on Wednesday to institute a lodge of Knights of Pythias. He expects to institute a lodge at Ashburn at an early date. When the new lodge is organized, the Knights of Pythias will be invited to once and congratulating the board on having secured such a competent man for the position.

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WILL TALK IT OVER.

Another Conference Between Officers and Employees.

Columbus, Ga., April 6.—(Special)—Thursdays conference between the Young Men's Christian Association will meet the teachers of the normal school tomorrow afternoon for the purpose of organizing a Young Men's Christian Association branch at that school.

Guitar Concerts will be held at the school.

The association is very strong, comprising such men as Dave Skeletor, the Millers and other leading citizens interested in improving the condition of the schools.

GEORGIA CHAUTAUQUA.

Augusta, Ga., April 6.—(Special)—The Chautauqua is now in full swing. The Army hall under flitting auspices. The young women of Augusta have taken a very active part in preparing for the fair, and some of the most popular ladies in Augusta are on the chautauqua. The various bands, "The object of the fair is to raise money for the purchase of new uniforms. The battalions complimented the Oglethorpe

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this afternoon by turning out for a drill to attract public attention to the opening of the fair.

Lucinda Freeman, a negro woman, living on the outskirts of town, attended the fair in the Seaboard Sunday afternoon. She became excited during the services and fell forward in the rigid semi-trance not uncommon among negro women who shout. However, in falling forward she fell on the sand in front of her and bruised her face. Her skin was so bad that a bandage and a pack was procured, and she was sent home. On the way she died. At the coroner's inquest today the verdict declared that death resulted from paralysis of the heart.

A speech by Rev. Wallace Tharp, pastor of the First Christian church, before the Young Men's Christian Association Sunday afternoon has been the theme of gossip to-day. The young men's Christian Association has been holding a series of talks by four prominent preachers—"Augusta Liquor," "Augusta Religion," "Augusta Men," and "Augusta Sundays." Mr. Tharp led off with Augusta liquor and made a prohibition speech. He charged that harrowing scenes open after hours at night and the back doors on Sunday. Picking up a pint of whisky from the table in front of him he said: "This pint of whisky which I hold in my hand was sold to me this morning for a dime and at the time a son of a member of the city council and a policeman were in the room." It has been declared that this is the opening gun in another prohibition campaign in Augusta, but General Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. has no such idea and has no understanding with any other organization to that effect. It simply is furnishing the public some facts. The authorities and the public can act on them or not as they see fit.

The recently wired rumor that the Atlanta Inmans were interesting themselves in the cotton business in Augusta and were considering the establishment of a branch office here, cannot be substantiated. They are applying for a charter and are reported to have selected a site on the Georgia railroad near the Standard Oil Company's plant. The application for charter is to be submitted to the Inman Company and the incorporators, W. W. Wall, Inman, W. C. Sanders and J. F. P. McLean. The capital stock is to be not less than \$30,000 with the privilege of increasing it to \$300,000. They ask for a charter for twenty years.

BRIDGES'S BOND INCREASED.

FLOYD BOARD OF EDUCATION DECIDED ON THIS STEP

Because the Shortage Was Not Covered by the Bond—Other News from the Hill City.

Rome, Ga., April 6.—(Special)—The Floyd county board of education met this morning and took steps to secure a larger bond for ex-School Commissioner W. M. Bridges. When arrested in Memphis and brought back to Rome, it was thought that \$3,000 would cover his deficit to the city and county and his bond was fixed at that sum. Later on the investigating committee developed the fact that the shortage was not covered by the bond of \$3,000 more than \$2,000.

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Says She Was Abandoned.

Mrs. Martha Edwards has filed a petition for divorce against her husband, Mathew Edwards, charging him with desertion and adultery.

The petition shows that they were married on March 1, 1881, and lived together as man and wife for eleven months and one week. At the expiration of that time the wife claims she was abandoned without any notice, and she has since lived separate and without having any trouble, and he left her without any cause or reason.

She asks that her husband be provided for her wants and has not contributed to her support. She asks that her mother, Martha Palmer, be appointed as her attorney.

In the Criminal Court.

The trial of the Negroes in the case of the fatal shooting of James W. Johnson yesterday and a number of convictions was the result of the day's work.

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Della Peacock was charged with having stolen \$50 from S. E. Thomas, and was given a fine of \$5 or nine months.

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Good News for Democrats.

In seventeen counties in Missouri the
 democrats held conventions and in every
 convention but one, free coinage resolu-
 tions were adopted. This shows beyond
 all question that democratic sentiment in
 Missouri has undergone no change
 whatever except to become more firmly
 convinced that the only reasonable rem-
 edy for the present condition of affairs is
 to restore silver to its old place in our
 monetary system.

Following the very interesting and
 agreeable news that Josiah Patterson,
 of Tennessee, who has been going about
 the country preaching in favor of the
 gold standard, has suffered an over-
 whelming defeat in his district, the an-
 nouncement from Missouri shows that
 genuine democrats everywhere are get-
 ting into line in behalf of the true prin-
 ciples of their party.

Josiah Patterson is that man, who, in
 defiance of the traditions of his party
 and of the views of the democrats who
 elected him to congress, fell down and
 worshipped the golden calf of Wall
 street. As an evidence of his new-
 born zeal, he has been going about the
 country dealing out the arguments of
 those who desire to rob and ensue
 the people for the benefit of the few
 who control the available supply of gold.
 As an emissary of the gold interest, Pat-
 terson was anxious to be sent as a dele-
 gate to the democratic national conven-
 tion.

But his purpose has been nipped in
 the bud. The democrats of his district
 have declared in favor of the free coinage
 of silver, consequently Josiah Pat-
 terson has no prospect of going to Chi-
 cago as a delegate, unless, indeed, the
 republicans of his district conclude that
 he is the man for their purpose, and
 even then he would go to St. Louis and
 not to Chicago.

These events—the turning down of
 Patterson and the well nigh unanimous
 declaration of seventeen counties of
 Missouri—that the democrats of
 the country are not yet ready to desert
 their time-honored principles and in-
 dorise the vicious republican doctrine
 which they have been fighting actively for
 twenty odd years. As it is in Georgia.
 The people cannot be deceived by the
 assumptions and misstatements of
 those who have become converts to the
 republican doctrine of gold monometallicism.

This being so, it is pleasing to hear
 and to know that the democrats in all
 the democratic states are standing as
 firmly and as boldly by their time-hon-
 ored principles as the people of the dem-
 ocratic state of Georgia.

At the Expense of the Country.

If the rate of increase which the lead-
 ing cities of the world have attained in
 recent years continues for any length of
 time the result may be disastrous to the
 rural districts.

This danger is suggested by a recent
 article from the pen of Elmer L. Cor-
 hell, a distinguished writer and civil
 engineer of Mexico.

In this article Mr. Corhell gives the
 rate of increase which he has carefully
 computed, after long and laborious inves-
 tigation; and the result of his study
 is the following schedule: Greater Lon-
 don, 18 per cent; Greater New York, as
 defined in the bill which has recently
 passed the state legislature, 33 per cent;
 Chicago, 100 per cent; Berlin, 37 per
 cent; Philadelphia, 25 per cent; St. Pe-
 tersburg, 15 per cent, and Paris, 10 per
 cent.

These rates are based upon the figures
 given in the authorized report of the
 census bureau, including the last official
 reports for 1890.

In order to show the drift of popula-
 tion toward these cities and the dangers
 which are likely to result from concen-
 tration Mr. Corhell makes a careful
 estimate of what will be the population
 of these cities, selecting the year 1920 as
 the objective point of his calculations.

If the figures of this distinguished writer
 are correct London, at the expiration of
 8516,256; Chicago, 8,208,000; New York,
 6,191,250; Berlin, 3,496,723; Paris, 3,234,-
 063; Philadelphia, 2,002,932, and St. Pe-
 tersburg, 1,500,405.

While these figures may be incorrect
 and merely represent the judgment of
 a single individual, it is well to con-
 sider them with careful study and to
 make them a starting point, as it were,

for deeper and more thorough investiga-
 tion.

In this connection it may be observed
 that every year large contributions to
 the population of the smaller towns and
 cities of the country are made by the
 surrounding districts. This may be
 seen in the case of almost any of the
 smaller towns of Georgia. Tired of the
 dull, prosaic life to which they have
 been accustomed and anxious to ex-
 change the aroma of the fields for the
 glittering prospects held out to them
 in the centers of commercial traffic,
 hundreds quit the plowshare for a living along
 and begin to skirmish for a living along
 the crowded avenues of trade.

Just as the rural districts are tributary
 to the towns are the towns like-
 wise tributary to the larger cities of the
 land. Ambitious, enterprising seekers
 after wider opportunities yearly put
 out for these commercial centers and begin
 to dispute with those already in
 possession of the field for the compen-
 sations which belong to genius, entre-
 prise and toil.

In this way the cities of the land are
 rapidly absorbing the best elements of
 the soil and leaving the plowshare in
 the hands of those who are satisfied with
 a bare existence. In addition to this
 concentration of enterprise and zeal
 the larger cities of the country, such as
 New York, Philadelphia and Chicago,
 present colossal aggregations of wealth and
 hold out steady inducements to those
 whose idea of success in life is ex-
 pressed in the jingle of the guinea.

These agencies are busily at work and
 every year the larger cities of the country
 reap a harvest from the smaller ones.

National prosperity is rooted in the
 fields and the plowshare is the implement
 of progress. By what means can this
 fatal tendency be checked? This is a
 problem which statesmanship alone
 can solve and which no one should
 approach without a realizing sense of its
 magnitude.

Goldsmith gave expression to this
 danger long ago when he spoke of the
 accumulations of wealth at the expense
 of bold peasantry. Though it was
 nevertheless, a philosopher who inspired the
 sentiment.

What America needs is not the accumu-
 lation of wealth in her cities, but a bold,
 vigorous hand at the plowshare and a
 more ambitious rivalry in the fields.

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Free Coinage in Pennsylvania.

On Friday, April 3d, a very significant
 dispatch was sent out from Chester, Pa.—
 Only one evening paper in New York
 printed it—The Evening Post—and not a
 daily morning paper in the metropolis used it or referred to it.
 They not only suppressed it so far as
 their own columns were concerned, but
 prevented the press associations from
 sending it broadcast through the land.
 The dispatch is as follows:

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 legislature was the introduction of a
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Whatever may be said against this
 operation, it cannot be denied that science
 has found it to be a most impor-
 tant helpmeet and that without the
 information derived from the application
 of the knife to living animals, hundred
 thousands of health and strength
 might today be dead or at least might
 be invalids for life.

As to what will be the result of this
 discussion no one can predict with good
 assurance. At the present time, how-
 ever, science seems to have a little the
 advantage of the order of humane
 societies.

Mr. Carlisle Declines.

Mr. Carlisle, in his letter declining to
 assume the responsibility of becoming a
 candidate for the democratic nomination,
 comes to a very wise conclusion. He is
 of the opinion that the existing
 conditions do not authorize him to allow
 his friends to appraise him as a candidate.

Mr. Carlisle is, or used to be, a pretty
 good politician, and he doubtless per-
 ceives that "existing conditions" all
 point to a declaration by the national
 convention in behalf of the free coinage
 of silver. The convention is just as cer-
 tain to be controlled by the free coinage
 democrats—the democrats who have re-
 mained true to the principles of their
 party, as it is to be held. That much is
 already settled. The only doubt is as
 to whether the free coinage democrats
 will have a two-thirds majority. In
 any event they will be able to write the
 platform and prevent the nomination of
 any man whose views on the financial
 question are not thoroughly democratic.

The declaration of Mr. Carlisle that
 he feels a "profound interest in the
 welfare of his party" may be taken with
 several large chunks of rock salt. His
 attitude in the Blackburn contest showed
 what "a profound interest" he had in
 the welfare of his party. He demon-
 strated most clearly, in his letter written
 during that contest that his only interest
 was in the "welfare" of the British
 gold standard, and his attitude showed
 that, beyond this, he had no in-

terest whatever in the welfare of his party.
 He was willing to see it torn and divided
 in behalf of the gold standard, but he was not willing to see it united in behalf of true democratic
 principles.

More than this, he gave it as his opin-
 ion during the Blackburn contest that
 there was no such thing as party loyalty
 and party responsibility where the single
 gold standard was concerned; that
 democratic members of the legislature
 voted nothing to the party, but everything
 to their immediate constituents. In
 other words, Mr. Carlisle sounded
 the note of disorganization in the senatorial
 campaign in Kentucky, and re-
 fused to say the word that would have
 brought the gold standard voters back
 into the party.

No; Mr. Carlisle is not "interested in
 the welfare of the party." He is interested
 in the welfare of the single gold
 standard; he is interested in the welfare
 of the syndicate of bond forces; he
 has deserted the cause of the people
 which he so nobly defended when he was
 a member of congress. This being so he
 hesitates about coming forward as a
 candidate for the democratic nomination,
 and in this he is very wise. Politically,
 Mr. Carlisle's day was over in
 the democratic party when he became
 an adherent of the money power. If
 his friends don't believe this let them
 insist on putting Mr. Carlisle forward
 as a candidate for the nomination.

ERA OF MONUMENTS.

Hero worship is perhaps as old as
 Aesop's fables, but never has the ancient
 germ fructified in such a crop of monu-
 ments as the present year is likely to
 bring forth.

As soon as the German emperor returns
 from his European jaunt he will
 dedicate a statue to his royal grand-
 father, William I of Germany.

During the approaching Shakespeare
 celebration in England a statue of the
 bard of Avon will be unveiled, nearly
 three hundred years after the death of
 the renowned dramatist. Several dis-
 tinguished Americans will be present
 on this occasion.

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Richmond, Va., is making preparations
 for the laying of the corner stone of a
 monument to Mr. Davis, the president
 of the confederacy. Every southern
 state has given something toward the
 erection of this monument.

Likewise a monument will be erected
 in New York to commemorate the
 heroic efforts of confederate soldiers who
 sleep in northern soil. The unveiling of
 the monument will be on June 1st.

At New York city a monument will be
 erected this year to the memory of Thomas
 Jefferson, the author of the Declaration
 of Independence and the founder of
 the democratic party.

At Wakefield, Va., to mark the birthplace of
 Washington. It was a long time coming,
 but it cannot be said that this republic has
 done well in this matter.

Not only are there monuments to
 heroes, but there are also memorials to
 writers, whom we have already
 mentioned. When Mr. Addison
 got more for a single copyright than
 Shakespeare, Milton or Dryden ever re-
 ceived for the complete work of a lifetime,
 democracy cannot be accused of discouraging
 authorship.

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TO CLEAN THEM UP

Free Bath Rooms To Be Placed on Decatur Street.

THE SOAP AND WATER REFORM

Missionary Work Started Out on Theory That Cleanliness Is Next to Godliness.

The public bathhouse idea seems to have struck Atlanta with full force.

A few days ago it was made public that a large bathhouse and swimming pool was to be erected on Capitol avenue by private parties and yesterday a project was set on foot to build a free bathroom Decatur street.

Unless one has been on that part of Decatur street, which leaves its inspiring qualities, he will not appreciate and see the amount of filth that accumulates to people the greatness of the undertaking to cleanse the denizens of Atlanta's Bowery cannot be appreciated. But while there's soap there's hope and the day will soon come when you will be able to walk down that part of Decatur and tell if it's the odor of soapsuds or the healthy odor of fish and mountain dew.

The poor women and children of Decatur street who cannot afford such luxuries as a bathhouse will present a Lycurgus to force them into the water. And the first couple of cleanliness did in the days of his republic, but will bless the names of the charitable parties that are going to inaugurate this great work of charity.

The idea aside from its wholesomeness is a great one, on this will undoubtedly prove a great blessing to the poor of Atlanta. Mrs. J. T. Elieberg is the originator of the plan and assisted by several other charitable ladies is rapidly pushing it forward. A large room will be rented near the police station and filled up with bathtubs, pools and all conveniences for the benefit of the person. These baths are for women and children and will be absolutely free, the money necessary to sustain them being obtained from private sources.

This idea is a good one and has been carried out in all large cities with great good results. It is an easy matter to create a desire for cleanliness and with these baths within the reach of all, the citizens of Decatur street will be led one step nearer to godliness.

This work of charity is one that only benefits the participants, but the whole city, and a walk down that section where there is so much dirt and misery, will convince one very quickly that greater field for soap and water could not have been found.

SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

The Great Time—Atlanta to "Chattanooga by the Southern."

Reference to the existing schedules of the Southern railway will show the very best arrangements possible for satisfactory and expeditious movement between Atlanta and Chattanooga to attend the Southern Baptist convention and the Southern Bazaar.

The first train is the greatest ventilation train, and will have through coaches from Atlanta to Chattanooga, without change, leaving Atlanta at 9:45 a. m., arriving at Chattanooga at 11:45 a. m., in ample time for the opening services at 10 a. m.

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The third train leaves Atlanta at 10:30 a. m., then the next train leaves Atlanta at 2:30 a. m., but sleeps over, and will be provided for the delegates and their families and friends to occupy until 7 a. m.

For far, far round the \$1.10, limit fifteen, with an opportunity for getting a post extension ticket with agent at Chattanooga, and a better extension of fifteen days by the way.

Money to loan on household furniture, or general property, on hand, \$32.50. Broad street, 100 feet from

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THE BOARD TO ACT

A Special Session This Afternoon to Consider the Shortage.

TREASURER PAYNE TO APPEAR

Has Been Summoned To Explain What He Knows of the Case.

CLERK COOPER AND THE COMMISSIONERS

Action of the Board This Afternoon Will Be Watched with Much Interest.

The board of county commissioners will meet in special session this afternoon at 3 o'clock to continue the investigation of the record of ex-County Clerk John Tyler Cooper.

Treasurer Columbus M. Payne has been summoned to appear before the board and he will be asked why the liquor licenses have not been collected, and will be required to give an account of his acts and doings as regards the same.

Last Friday afternoon the board of commissioners met in a called session and passed a resolution summoning Treasurer Payne to appear before the board today and make a statement showing the reasons why the amounts due the county have not been collected and properly received for. Mr. Payne will be present this afternoon at the meeting, and will probably present his defense as an official of the county.

Ex-County Clerk John Tyler Cooper was expected at the office of the commissioners during the day yesterday, but up to a late hour in the afternoon he had not come. Mr. Cooper met Clark Konitz on the street Sunday morning and stated, in substance, the interview which was published in The Constitution of that date. Judge Payne was very satisfied yesterday with the manner in which Mr. Cooper had responded to his question, and had expected to do so, as he thought probable. Mr. Cooper would have called him off duty if he had done so.

"I fully expected Mr. Cooper to call at the office," said Clark Konitz yesterday afternoon. "But I have not seen him today. It may be that he remembered that this was a very busy day for account of having to pay off the bills we were owed by the county, and thinking that he would not have had opportunity to see me and talk with me, he might have decided to wait until I had more time." He will probably call again tomorrow.

Judge Payne Is Held Liable.

The board of commissioners is still of the opinion that Judge Payne, as treasurer, is liable for the amount of the defalcation and the amount which has not been collected on account of the negligence of officers.

Under the section of the code regulating the duties of county treasurer, it is specified that he must examine the records and accounts which is due the county. When he does not do so, he is liable to demand and collect all that is due from the other officers or any other person.

It is the opinion of the commission that Judge Payne is liable for the amounts which are said to be short, and also for which he has not collected, but which should have been collected, and which are due the county.

The negligence or ignorance of any officer, he says the code sets forth the duties of each, and a reference to the section is all that would be necessary for an official to make.

VETERANS TO RICHMOND.

Low Rates Will Cause Many To Attend the Reunion.

"On to Richmond" will be the cry of the confederate veterans June 29th and 30th.

The low rate of \$1 round trip from Atlanta to Richmond, offered by the Southern railway, will draw many veterans and their families to the attractive place.

The meeting this morning will be one of much importance, as the time is short in which to make arrangements and to report to the association.

Last year Mr. Lucien L. Knight, of The Constitution, delivered the annual address.

For several years the executive committee of the association have been considering the choice of an orator, but had not until recently selected him.

Mr. Guerry was immediately notified, and it is more than probable that he will notify the members of the association of his acceptance.

The Session Will Be Interesting.

The session of the board this afternoon will be exceedingly interesting, and the surprise will result as a consequence of the investigation.

The commissioners yesterday were relieved on the subject and had but little to say other than that the meeting had been called and several members of interest had been taken up and discussed.

Under Payne's empanelment, he has been made responsible for any shortage or loss of money which he may have caused.

Mr. Cooper has made no announcement as to what would be done or how soon the shortage could be liquidated.

JONES HAS A SAY.**HE MADE NO POLITICAL TRADE WITH PLEDGER.**

Says That It Is Not True That He Agreed To Support Reed—Makes Counter Charges.

J. W. Jones, of Madison, writes a card about his trouble with W. A. Pledger in a saloon on Decatur street several days ago, an account of which appeared in The Constitution. The trouble was stated to have grown out of a political agreement between the two men.

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AGENT CLARK HERE THURSDAY

The New Agent Will Take Charge of the District at Once—How the Change Was Effectuated.

Mr. George B. Clark, the newly appointed revenue agent of this district, will report for duty Thursday morning to relieve Agent Pitts, who has been in service here since the transfer of Colonel W. H. Chapman.

This new move of the revenue department was quite a surprise to the officials in the customs house, and is taken as an indication of the fact that Colonel Chapman will finally be reinstated in this district.

The new appointment recalls the fight made upon Colonel Chapman by the department and his removal to St. Louis, which at that time, caused much commotion. He had been nominated for a number of years, and we looked upon him as a fixture in this district, because of a misunderstanding between him and the collector the order of removal was issued and since then he has done duty in the St. Louis district. Upon the transfer of Col. Chapman, Mr. Pitts was promoted to this district, where he has been steadily at work ever since. He is an active agent and during his short term in this district has accomplished much.

Those who are familiar with the situation say that the change was caused by the efforts of Colonel Chapman to be placed back in this district again. The present change will put him in Greensboro, N. C., bringing to this place the agent there, Mr. Clark, and carrying Mr. Pitts to St. Louis.

Mr. Pitts, who has been here since the transfer of Colonel Chapman, is working

pleased with the surroundings in St. Louis and his duties there, he regrets his removal from the south. For this reason he is thought that the change will be beneficial to him.

The members of the old volunteer company decided not to disband on the organization of the paid department, and have kept the company intact.

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Interesting Announcement Made by the East Atlanta Land Company.

I am requested to state that after the conclusion of the auction sale of the East Atlanta Land Company, Friday evening, April 6th, a few choice lots in the park owned by the highest bidder. These will be sold on the same terms for payment as those offered by the land company.

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Theosophy in Atlanta.

As a result of the work recently done here by Mr. Burcham Hardinge, lecturer of the Theosophical Society in America, a branch of the society is known as the Atlanta Branch of the Theosophical Society.

The objects of the society are purely spiritual, seeking the purest form of life.

A fellow of the Theosophical society recently came to town with the idea of forming a local branch, and with this in view he will be the first chartered since the death of William Q. Judge, president of the society, which occurred last week.

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For the Journal Theft.

Yesterday afternoon, in Justice Bloodworth's court, Gus Dunlap, John Freeman, James Williams, Cook Smith, Herman Mackaleys and Harry Blalock, alias Martin, were tried on charges of receiving \$35 from the office of The Atlanta Journal two weeks ago. All except Williams were bound over under \$300 bonds. Williams was bound over under \$100 bonds. The court charged that he was in the charge of receiving stolen goods and gave bond in the sum of \$300.

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It Was the Forty-Fifth Anniversary and Seventeen Members Were Present—What They Did.

An exceedingly pleasant reunion was held last evening in the office of Chief Joyner, the occasion being the forty-fifth anniversary of Atlanta fire company, No. 1.

This was the first fire company organized in Atlanta, and there are but few living citizens who remember the gala occasion of the arrival of the little hand engine, "Blue Dick," which everybody fully believed was equal to all emergencies in case of fire. And they were not disappointed in their faith, for what at the beginning was but a handful of men—most of whom were employed in the State and Georgia railroad shops—soon grew to a large membership.

But while the membership of the company was increasing the town was growing fast also, and it soon became evident that a stronger organization was needed. A committee was appointed to appeal to the city council for aid in securing the needed apparatus, but that body was bankrupt, and could do nothing. Nothing daunted, other means were resorted to, and public entertainments, fairs, balls, etc., were given half of the company, and were liberally patronized by the public-spirited citizens. It was not long before the flames was an assured fact to all the people. Other companies came to the rescue, but the company had been spared the visitation of death the past year, and there was no need of alteration in this regard.

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